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New hive technology a success story

Langstroth beehives were introduced to the Nkwanta beekeeping scene approximately 4 years ago by Extra Mile West Africa. Our strategy; to increase production levels and improve the clarity of marketable honey.

Best langstroth produces 9 gallons

On average, hives in our Nkwanta District development project produce around 6-7 gallons each. There are a number of reasons for this exceptionally good harvest, but there are 3 important priorities that top the list. They are general management, hive design



and placement of hives.

General Management

Management practise should play a vital role within the beekeepers agenda. Correct swarm catching dates, pest control measures, rainy season management and



equipment maintenance are important areas that play their part in keeping a honey production business viable.

Hive Design

Choosing the right hive for your venture is an important consideration. What are your expectations? Are you considering producing honey for your family or a small niche market, or are you interested in commercial large scale



2012 honey harvest good color and flavor

The color, taste and viscosity of honey coming from the hives this year in the Nkwanta District is sunshine yellow, fruity and well within the accepted moisture level required by regulatory boards. A perfect table honey of international standard .



farms close to where I want to put my beehives? African bees can be quite aggressive, so care should be taken to keep them well clear of human habitation or work areas. Honey production can be a very lucrative business. However to ensure success good preparation and a sound business strategy is a key to how successful you will be at the day.

Extension Service

Extra Mile West Africa is a non-profit organization with the objective of delivering training, technology upgrades, market links and extension services to farmers within the beekeeping and livestock sectors. With donor support we also conduct educational and material support programs at orphanages and children's homes.

Beekeeping training available

honey production? How much money do you wish to invest, how much time can you give your intended business?

Placement of Hives

First of all, not all areas are honey producing areas. If you choose to set up in a designated farming area then you will undoubtedly have to deal with agro-chemical sprays, both pesticide and weedicide. Placement of individual hives also poses issues that have to be thought through. A question that is often overlooked; is there available water for my bees? What is the available nectar source? Are there villages or

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